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AMENDMENT A

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents

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Sir:

This amendment is filed in response to the office action dated 2002.04.10.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please withdraw claims 13-20 from consideration.

REMARKS

Claims 1-20 are in the case and subject to a restriction requirement. Applicants hereby elect with traverse to prosecute the claims of group I, including claims 1-12. Thus, claims 13-20 are withdrawn from consideration. Reconsideration is requested. Applicants further elect with traverse the species of control in which the desired temperature range is maintained by adjusting the process energy and at least one of the thermal transfer media flow rate and the thermal transfer media temperature, as recited in claim 1 and dependent claims 2-8, and respectfully assert that none of the claims 2-8 dependent on claim 1 recite any other species. If the examiner disagrees, then applicants respectfully request that the